



MAY 2023



For the first time this year, over the counter aka owner surrender and resident turn-ins, outpaced our enforcement team's work. Combined, however, total intake continues to steadily increase. Our live release rate has also once again dropped, lowering another two percentage points. Our live release rate has not been at this level since 2015. Many factors have led to the decrease in the live release rate, including a significant decrease in rescue pulls post-2019 and the shelter and medical team's shift to a Capacity for Care model.

76.1% TOTAL SAVE RATE

Save Rate = The percentage of animals who leave the shelter through adoption, return to owner, transfers to other organizations, or other lifesaving program

BARC's Healthy Pets, Healthy Streets initiative offers free spay/neuter surgeries to approximately 3,500 animals per year. These surgeries are free of cost to Houstonians and are performed through local spay/neuter clinics. Please note that the report this month, showing only 7 surgeries, is due to a delay in the data being entered by partner clinics. May's numbers will be reflected in later months.

TOTAL INTAKE 1,969

INTAKE SOURCE*

979

990

FIELD

OTC



*Intake source is defined by the way in which a pet is brought to the shelter. FIELD are pets brought in by Animal Enforcement through service calls. OTC (Over The Counter) are pets brought to the shelter by community members doing an in person drop-off



4,907

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE



3,848

TOTAL SERVICE CALLS COMPLETED



381

PETS ADOPTED INTO HOMES



85

PETS RETURNED TO THEIR OWNERS



802

PETS TRANSFERRED TO RESCUE



18

CATS WENT THROUGH TNR OR SNR

TNR = Trap Neuter Return
SNR = Shelter Neuter Return

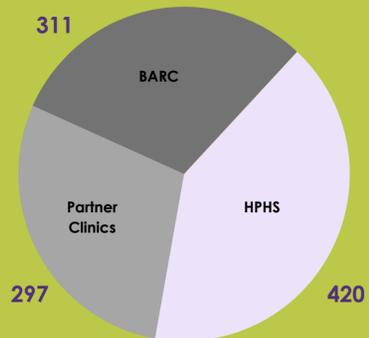
SPAY & NEUTER TOTALS

BREAKDOWN

1,028 TOTAL

655 DOGS

373 CATS



464

HOURS VOLUNTEERED

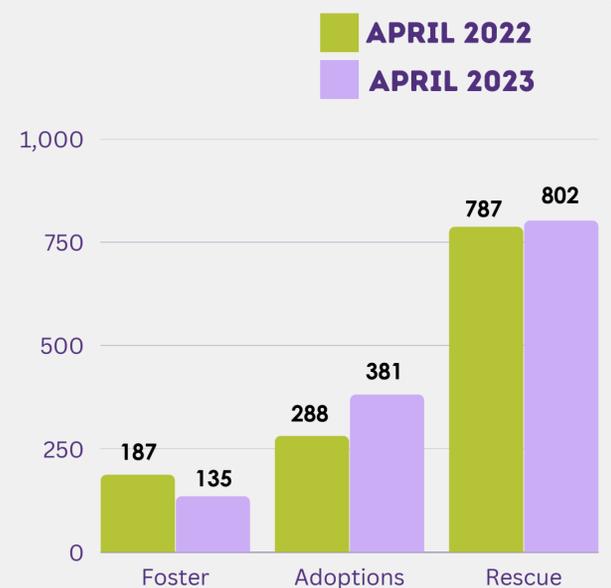


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PETS FOSTERED

COMPARING THE DATA

While our rescue and adoption numbers remain higher than the previous year's data, and overall remain consistent between Fiscal Years, the foster numbers took a slight dip this month. With kitten season still in full swing, this has an impact on things like our Live Release Rate, which did once again drop. Typically, foster and rescue numbers increase throughout the spring and early summer months as kitten season hits.



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